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## AN OLD STORY NEWLY RE-DETERED.

Joe Blade had lived single for thirty-one years.

But now he decided to take a wife.

Which he did with all promptness, untroubled

Of a possible end to the peace of his life.

But soon he discovered that many house wags

Which in days of his freedom had been taken

Of a possible end to the peace of his life.

Were disappearing to her who should lighten

his days.

And must now be abandoned—else life be a

storm.

He called on an old boon companion one day.

"Tom Watson's name," and he told him his

grief.

"That's nothing," said Tom. "For all wives

have their days.

And the most of them freely express their

belief.

"If you are in doubt that my statement is true,

We'll start out at once, and I will give it a

test.

We will call at each house and find out by some

clue.

If the wife has an influence over the rest,

With every man we can find on the way.

Whose wife has no influence, a cow I will

leave.

If you will permit all these under her sway.

The small part of an egg from your hand to

receive."

All day they labor, and many a man

Accepted his egg with a courteous bow.

But not one, which brought under the test of

their plan.

Could be found who was worthy of taking a

cow.

Their last attempt was made just before

night.

Approaching a house, an old man they es-

spied.

"I presume you're the owner," said Tom.

"Am I right?"

"Yes, strange? In loss of this ranch," he re-

sponded.

"You're right," said Tom. "I take it," said

Joe.

"No, indeed. I've been married for twenty-

five years.

But, between you and me, I would have you to

know.

No woman can ever lead me by the nose."

Said Joe: "You're the man we've been seeking

Since noon.

See, here are two cows; come take which

you please.

On examining them both, he preferred the

short-horn.

But continued: "Just wait till I speak to

Louise."

"My wife doesn't like the old short-horn at all."

He said, on returning: "Your parson I beg,

but I now take the female, although she is

small."

"No wonder," said Tom Watson. "Now,

give him his egg."

—Detroit Free Press.

MRS. DODD'S PORTIERE.

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## "A portiere, did you say? Where'd you get the idea?"

"It's a French word," said Mrs. Tom.

as if French were her daily speech. "It

came from France."

"Pity it hadn't stayed there. It

must let in a sight of cold air."

"We haven't suffered no inconvenience,"

replied Mrs. Tom, loftily.

"It didn't get in the door," said

Luchida.

As luck would have it, however, a

cold snap set in about this time. Mrs.

Dodd pined on the coal and shivered

unrelentingly.

"You've what you may call it, don't

seem to keep on the cold like a door,"

suggested Mrs. Jerry in another of her

neighborly calls. "I don't believe

they'll be popular in Millville."

"They're popular at Lawyer Browne's

and in the first families to Hingham,"

returned her sister-in-law.

"Well, I suppose they have a furnace

there, and the price of coal ain't no con-

sequence to 'em. For my part, I

shouldn't be able to reconcile it to my

conscience to waste Jerry's substance in a

portiere."

If Mrs. Dodd had wished to set the

neighborhood agog she succeeded; Mill-

ville wasn't used to esthetic ideas,

and the report that she had taken a door

of the hinges and hung up a curtain in

its stead seemed to their unenlightened

minds the height of absurdity.

"But it really does look ever so

pretty," said one gossamer on the se-

wing circle, "only my teeth chattered in

my head all the time I stayed at Miss

Dodd's."

Luchida tells me it's a new-fangled

notion they got up to Hingham; she

says it's all around there, as it was the

meanest. It's what they call 'Art

Decorations," explained Mrs. Luchida.

"Art decorations," snapped Mrs. Jerry.

"The art of taking cold, I reckon,"

Pamela had the doctor last night, and

a mustard plaster! I calculate she's

decorated with a blister by this time."

In ancient times, indeed, the art of

decorating would be to be so took up with

colic-bagging and cotton-bleeding when

there's a missionary work to be done,"

sighed old Mrs. Prescher.

"Miss Dodd's got gentility on the

brain," put in the village dress-maker.

"She wants to lead the fashions in Mill-

ville."

"I think it's our duty to get up a pe-

dition and ask her to lay the door hinge

again, seeing the sewing society's go-

ing to meet there next week; it wouldn't

be so much for us to find it so influ-

ence together," suggested the Pres-

ident of the society.

"It's flying in the face of Provi-

dence," suggested Mrs. Jerry.

But before the work of Am Ham-

nah's friend, from whom she had to make

Mrs. Dodd a visit, as the weather had

moderated.

"I thought I'd take advantage of the

warm spell," she explained. "You see

I'm going over to Hingham; I must

wait for my trunk. I'll stop awhile along

the way, Pamela, on my way. You

know," she continued, dropping into a

whisper as though the heirs were all at

her elbow, "if I don't make it—and it

seems as if I, yes, old enough—every-

thing'll go to his folks' making; I'm

only your aunt-in-law, having married

your own uncle Roger Hill for my first

husband, and my good-for-nothing con-

st in Tom Jackson, for my second. I

don't make it, you see, not a dollar'll

belong to you, as I brought you up till

you married Mr. Dodd. Laws is queer,

you know; so I thought I wouldn't wait

no longer, but take advantage of the

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